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8	IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
9	FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
10	DARRELL LAMONT SMITH, JR.,) No. C 11-1193 LHK (PR)
11	Petitioner,) ORDER OF TRANSFER
12	vs.
13	WALKER,
14	Respondent.
15)
16	Petitioner, proceeding <i>pro se</i> , filed a petition for a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28
17	U.S.C. § 2254 on March 10, 2011. Petitioner seeks habeas relief from his underlying criminal
18	conviction and sentence from the Superior Court of San Bernardino, which lies in the Central
19 20	District of California.
21	Venue for a habeas action is proper in either the district of confinement or the district of
22	conviction, 28 U.S.C. § 2241(d); however, petitions challenging a conviction or sentence are
23	preferably heard in the district of conviction. See Habeas L.R. 2254-3(a); Laue v. Nelson, 279 F.
24	Supp. 265, 266 (N.D. Cal. 1968). Here, the Central District of California is the district of
25	conviction.
26	Accordingly, this case is TRANSFERRED to the United States District Court for the
27	Central District of California, the district of Petitioner's conviction at issue in this petition. See
28	28 U.S.C. § 1404(a); Habeas L.R. 2254-3(b)(1). The Clerk shall terminate any pending motions
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1	and transfer the entire file to the Central District of California.
2	IT IS SO ORDERED. DATED:3/31/11 LIGNIE AND A LIG
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4	United States District Judge
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